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PUBLISHER'S NOTE:

Jesus Christ is returning to take away the Christian Church on either 23 or 24 September of the Gregorian calendar. These two dates correspond to the Feast of Trumpets in Israel as well as the start of Jewish religious New Year (Rosha Hashana) of the year 5786. In church language, this is the long-awaited Rapture of the church, and has been likened to the spiritual marriage between Jesus and the church as his virgin “Bride.” It will take place in the twinkling of an eye across all time zones of the world and no doubt those on the International Space Station will not be exempted. Millions are expected to vanish without a trace, leaving behind their crumpled clothes — and plunging the remaining world into a seven-year Tribulation period that will end with the return of Jesus a second time. This time he will do so openly on September 15, 2032 on the Jewish Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) to rule from Jerusalem over the whole Earth as King of kings and Lord of lords.

Such is this testimony of Joshua Mhlakela of Johannesburg written down here for him by a former Christian newspaper reporter. It is based on the two YouTube podcasts featuring Brother Joshua – God's Voice Daily, and Centwinz, broadcast in June 2025. Since then, his witness has been strengthened by that of a fellow South African, a sister in Christ who testified today that Jesus had dictated to her a written statement confirming he WILL return at this coming Feast of Trumpets. Maran Atha!

My name is Joshua Mhlakela. I reside in Johannesburg but come from Cape Town. I'm a believer in Jesus and today I'm ready to to say what he has sent me to say to the world out there. I'm not an apostle, pastor or bishop — just a simple born-again blood-washed believer in Jesus. I've been walking with the Lord for some years now. So I can say that I know him personally. I would just like to say to everybody that the Rapture is upon us. Even if you are not ready for it — it is ready for you.

Before I was born in 1982, my father had a dream in which he was told to name me Joshua. This was well before there was technology available to determine the gender of an unborn child. However, due to some birthing complications, the doctor warned my parents that I would come out dead or injured. When I eventually came out without any issue at all that doctor declared me a miracle child.

The same day I was born, my mother was resting with me on her stomach when she felt a spiritual force coming on her to strangle her. Fighting off this force, she was about to to turn her body, forgetting that I was on her stomach. Had she turned, I would have fallen to the floor and injured myself, perhaps fatally. But then God reminded her of my presence, so she held on to me firmly, and that spirit disappeared.

When I was about four or five, I was kidnapped for about a month by someone who knew my family. Miraculously, an Indian person tipped off the police, and they and my parents came and rescued me. I retained memories of that time — just sitting at the stoop of a place I did not know, just crying the whole day.

When I was a teenager aged 16 or 17, I was battling suicidal thoughts. I wanted to take my life so much, and the enemy was providing opportunities for me to do that. I remember this one time when I was trying to take my life, but just when I was about to do it, God stopped me.

So death was following me right from the day I was born. It's a common saying that everybody will die but according to the Bible there is a group of people that will never see death. In 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 Paul says "We shall not all sleep." In other words, we shall not all die but in a moment, in the blink of an eye, we shall all be changed. We will be transformed to the immortal from the mortal. God will give us new bodies through which we will never die. So I think the spirit of death was following me because maybe Satan was aware even then that my future calling in life

would be to tell everyone there is a group of people in future that God would select to not see death. So death is my enemy, and death is the enemy of God.

Amos 3:7 says, "The Lord does nothing without revealing his plan to his servants the prophets." I'm not a prophet but I am a servant of the Lord. And today God is revealing his plan to the people of the world as well.***

In the year 2000 I became a Christian. I gave my life to Jesus when I was still in my teenage years after battling suicidal thoughts. I think I was 19 when I came to Jesus and gave my life to him. That year itself, while attached to the church where I was, we used to visit people at their homes to pray for them. One afternoon, coming out from these homes out into the streets, I noticed that next to us was an angel as tall as a building or the tallest tree around. This angel was carrying a sword and he kept looking around as if to guard us. My companions, though, were not aware of this. I didn't say anything then to them because I didn't know what to make of it. Anyway, that was one of my first experiences of the spiritual world as a born-again Christian. Sometimes I would be walking to or from church, and I would be so filled with the presence of God's Holy Spirit, I would feel as if Jesus was walking next to me even though I could not see him.

In 2003, in that same church which I was attending, I became an assistant pastor. One night I saw the future in a dream. I saw myself in an open field one dark night. I looked at the ground and I realized that it had been burnt. Instinctively I knew that it was not just the ground where I was that had been burnt. THE WHOLE EARTH had been burnt! Where I was, the atmosphere was so terrifying. It was so scary to be where I was. I went to climb a hill to try and find another human being because I was all alone in this place on a dark and scary night. I climbed the hill, I looked around but I found no one else. I looked up to the stars and I saw the stars. Looking at the stars, I knew inside me that Christian believers had been taken up to Heaven before the destruction whose aftermath I was witnessing here. Then I woke up. After I woke up, I felt as if God had taken to see the future and then brought me back.

After seven years, in 2010, I resigned as an assistant pastor at age 28, thinking, “God, I've served you. I've done my best. Now may I focus on my own life?”

The following year, again in a dream, I saw myself at a court in Heaven. I was outside the door of the court. In front of me, waiting to go in, was a man literally shaking with fear. It was

as if he knew that once he stepped inside the court, he was not going to make it. Anyway, he finally went inside, and I don't know what happened to him. The court proceedings were so fast, they took mere seconds.

Hebrews 9:22 says, "It is appointed unto a man to die once, and then comes the judgment." So I knew these people coming to court for judgement had already died on earth, but I knew that I was not dead. Then it was my turn. I found myself sitting on one of the church-like pews in court, and looked toward the chair where the judge usually sits. There was God — he was so huge in the seat where he was. He was translucent, so I could not make out his form, but still I could know that this was God. On my left was Jesus with a life-sized human body, appearing as my lawyer. On my right was Satan and in his hand he had a thick file detailing all the sins that I've ever committed. So the enemy Satan was accusing me before God the Father and Judge, but then Jesus stepped forward. When he stepped forward, right there and then I was acquitted of all my sins. In South Africa, if you are convicted and sentenced to prison by a court of law, you go from the courtroom down the stairs to a holding lockup before being transported to prison. So it was in this Heavenly court. If you don't make it, you go down those stairs to Hell but if you make it, you go up to Heaven. After my acquittal, I went up to Heaven. When I got there, it was daytime, and I saw people sitting around. Judging from their clothes, they were schoolkids and prison inmates. But they were in Heaven — they had made it!!!

Then Jesus appeared in front of me in a white robe. I had just left him in court there, but then found him there again in Heaven. This was my first time to see Jesus in a vision or dream up close. He looked Middle Eastern. He had dark brown hair down to his neck. He was handsome with a neatly-trimmed beard. The one thing that caught my attention was his eyes. I was amazed. I just kept looking at him. I couldn't keep my eyes off his eyes. I was — I don't know if it's the right word because English is not my first language — mesmerized. I was so taken up by the realization that my Creator whom I loved was standing there right in front of me! He looked at me and, without saying anything, gave commands through his mind. Then chariots started to appear and lined up in front of me, so many that I couldn't count them. No one was driving them. They carried well-polished blocks of wood inside, of which only a few bore personal names. Jesus said to me — again through his mind but I heard it loud and clear, “You have saved few people.” Then he looked over

to those very many blocks that had no names, and added, "You must fill all of these blocks of wood with souls."*** And then I woke up. When I woke up, I thought in my mind that maybe God wants me to be a soul-winner and open a church. Again as with my first dream, I felt that I was coming back from Heaven. And I did feel his presence all around me.

So five years later, in 2016, I started a house church. I called people over, they came and I prayed for them. This went on for about a month, but every time I went there to share the word of God and to pray with them, inside my heart I had no peace, I was not feeling good about it. Finally, I told the congregation I was quitting. They didn't have to come for prayers anymore inside the house church. Then I went outside, ready to leave when, out in the yard, an old woman came to me. She asked me to pray for her, so I laid my hands on her head, she closed her eyes, I too closed my eyes and prayed for her. As I did so, so I felt an electric shock going through my hand. I opened my eyes while I'm praying and this old woman was here but next to her — now I'm not sleeping, this is not a dream, I'm out in the wide open — Jesus appeared right in front of me, standing next to her and looking at me. But now he was not wearing a white robe. He was wearing a majestic-looking robe of some bluish or navy blue colour that went down to his feet. He looked so strong with his broad shoulders and powerful chest. When I looked at his chest it was as if I could see galaxies there like the galaxies of outer space. And this thought came to me: This is the one that holds the universe together! And while I was looking at him face to face, he smiled and disappeared. I was left with the impression that his smile was to say, “Well done!” for closing this church. Because that was not the plan that he had for me; I was not supposed to open a church. And when I finished praying, the old woman opened her eyes and said to me, "Did you know that when you were praying for me I felt as if a burden was coming off my shoulders, and I feel very light after that?” I knew it was due to the presence of Jesus.

In another dream or vision, in 2016, I saw Jesus in Heaven, wearing the same majestic-looking robe and standing outside a building that resembled the United States Supreme Court building with its columned facade. There he told me specifically, "You must not open a church." I'm just supposed to announce him as the soon-coming King to the World.

In 2017 in a dream I was taken to Heaven where in a throne room I saw Jesus sitting on his throne with his arms resting on the armrests. On the floor I could see around his throne there

was a mist, and I could hear a sound as if a war was coming to the world. That was the impression I got. Something very, very, very serious was coming to the world. I looked at Jesus. Again without opening his mouth but through his mind I could hear him very loudly and clearly saying to me, "I am coming soon!" When he said these words, he started to stand up while holding onto the armrests. But before he could fully stand up, power came from him and blew me harmlessly backwards out of Heaven through the sky in seconds. I landed on my bed. The moment I landed on my bed, I woke up and I cried out, feeling his presence in me so strongly. My wife was sleeping next to me. She said to me, "What's wrong?" Until today I don't know why I said this to her, but this is the answer that came out of my mouth, “I saw a man in Heaven.” ***

Now I used to think that I was going to grow up and become an old Christian man, and maybe pass away in my nineties. But all this changed in 2018. That year, again in a dream, I didn't see God but I hear his very loud voice. Those who are hearing this — please pay attention to what I'm going to say next. Mark the words that I'm about to say because none of the words that I'm saying are going to fall to the ground. None of these words will be empty because they come from God himself. In other words they will be fulfilled. In this dream he said, "There will be no World Cup 2026 because life on earth will not be business as usual for those who are left behind.” ***Then I woke up. I'm no soccer fan, so when I woke up, I was unaware when the last World Cup had been held, or when the next one would be. Later on, I checked and found that the men's soccer World Cup 2026 matches are to be held mainly in the United States.

Later in 2018, early one morning I woke up, switched on the lights and began reading my Bible. Jesus appeared in front of me in a white robe. This was not a dream, for I was awake. I was looking at him face to face when, without opening his mouth, he said these words through his mind, “From the time Israel became a nation in 1948 there will be 77 years to the Exodus." He didn't use the word “Rapture” but I knew he was referring to it. He added, "In 2025, on September 23 and 24, I will come to take my church. On these two days no one will know the day or hour I come. After that, there will be a seven- year Tribulation on earth for those left behind. In 2032, on September 15, I will return to Earth as King.”

After saying these words he disappeared, and I was left amazed. I didn't know much then about the Rapture, Second Coming and the Tribulation. Back when I was a youth beginning to

be a Christian, a pastor did tell me that there would be in the future some tribulation that will happen, and Christians would go through it. That was all I knew. I didn't know there was an escape route through the Rapture. I might have heard about it here and there, but I really didn't know much.

Now I know these are very controversial topics, but God told me one day to read Isaiah 55 where he said, “No word of mine will leave me and come back to me void.” And then he said that he would begin to teach me. He would begin to think through my mind. I am not God but he would put thoughts in my mind so that I could understand more about these matters. He took me to 2 Kings 2:1-11 on the previous Rapture — that of Elijah. When Elijah and Elisha were together, the prophets came to them and asked Elisha "Do you know that your master will be taken from you today?" And Elisha said to them "Yes, I know." And other prophets from elsewhere did the same. They asked him the same question, and he would likewise say "Yes, I know." Finally Elijah said to Elisha, "Before I'm taken from you, tell me what you want me to do for you." So I saw that the day of the rapture of Elijah was not a mystery to them. In fact God had revealed it to the prophets, to Elisha, and to Elijah. So God showed me that he would do the same thing for this coming Rapture.

So I began to study this subject earnestly. Then I learned that there are God had instituted seven feasts, and Jesus, by his life, death and resurrection, had already fulfilled four of them — the Passover, Unleavened Bread, First Fruits and Pentecost. Only three are left — the Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, and Tabernacles.

Leviticus 23 tells us the Feast of Trumpets was instituted as a one-day event. It began with the visual sighting of the new moon. But because of the uncertainty over the physical observation of that tiny crescent of the new moon, the one-day duration was later extended to two days. Eventually this situation produced the Hebrew expression “No one knows the day or hour” as a reference to this Feast of Trumpets.

As mentioned earlier, Jesus had used the word Exodus but he was talking about the Rapture. Seventy-seven years from the founding of Israel in 1948 brings us to this very year, 2025.

And in 2025, September 23 and 24 will be the two days of the Feast of Trumpets. So this will be the narrow window of time when the Rapture of the Church takes place. Seven years later, in 2032, September 15 will be the Day of Atonement when Jesus returns to Earth as King.

So why did he tell me about the World Cup? 1 Thessalonians 5:5 tells us a time will

come when people will loudly hail the coming of peace and security throughout the world. At least this is what the coming charismatic Antichrist will promise the world after the Rapture. Perhaps there will indeed be peace, but I don't know how long that will last. But by June 2026 the world will be in such a dire mess, there will be so much chaos and destruction, that FIFA will not be able to hold the World Cup matches in the US, Canada and Mexico.

In Matthew 24:36 Jesus said that no one knows the day or hour of the Rapture. But if you google this on the Internet, you can find websites which explain that this expression is actually a Hebrew idiom for the Feast of Trumpets. The Feast of Trumpets was a one-day festival originally, and it began with the physical sighting of the "new moon." Because of the uncertainty of the visual sighting, the one-day festival stretched to two actual days. Hence one could say that no one knew the day or hour of the new moon — and consequently of the Feast of Trumpets — and ultimately the Rapture as well.

But this is also here a reflection of traditional Jewish wedding customs. Only when the father of the groom has decided on the wedding date, does he tell his son to "Go and fetch your bride." Thus no one knows the day or hour of the wedding, not even the son, but the father only. The church is the bride of Jesus, so the Rapture will be like the wedding between Jesus and the Church. On Earth it will take place on a day no one on Earth knows, not even the Son on Earth, but the Father only.

And if you go to 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 Paul agrees with Jesus by mentioning the "last trump." Now many people when they read the "last trump" they run to the book of Revelation and say the last trump is the seventh trumpet blast by the seventh angel during the Tribulation. This is incorrect. During the Feast of Trumpets the shofar is blown 99 times, followed by the 100th and that last one is the "last trump."

1 Thessalonians 5:1 says, "Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates — we do not need to write to you." It was not necessary for Paul to write to the Thessalonians about the times and the dates of the "day of the Lord." This was because the day of the Lord would be an event hidden from them for the next 2,000 years, but which would be revealed to the End Times Church. And in verse 4 Paul says that day will not be a surprise to those who are in the light, but like a thief it will surprise those who are in darkness.

Hebrews 10:25 exhorts us not to neglect gathering together, but to do so all the more as we see that day approaching. And I put it to you it is not any random day but a fixed window of time that one can see approaching.

In Acts 1:6-7 Jesus' disciples asked him after his resurrection, "At this time are you going to become king of Israel?" But he said to them, "It is not for you to know the times and seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. But you shall be my witnesses in Judea, Samaria and the uttermost parts of the Earth." In other words the times when Jesus would return and be king in Israel shouldn't be their concern. After all, it was to take place 2,000 years later.

It's like Daniel being told to shut up his words and seal his book until the Time of the End. So there will be a revelation that would come to the church in the Time of the End, a revelation of the time of the End itself.

So I am writing to warn South Africa and the world that Jesus is returning. If you are found without Jesus in your life or if you have not given your life over to Jesus — remember that time is closing in. The time that God has set for people to receive him, the period of grace wherein God has given the church to reach out to the world so that all might receive Jesus and be saved is coming to an end.

The Rapture will happen. Millions of Christians all around the world including South Africa will disappear in a split second. After the removal of Christians from the world then the judgment of God will fall upon the world.

The world is gearing up towards the World Cup 2026. But after the Rapture of 2025 there will be such chaos, destruction and devastation in the world that by June 2026, there will be no World Cup matches that will be played. The world would be an unrecognizable place.

So once again I am here to plead and to beg you all — please don't think you have lots of time. You don't have lots of time. Remember that I was not called to open churches. I had once thought that that was what God had in mind for me. But since then, I found that my calling is to announce to the world that above all, Jesus is alive and he's coming back soon. So, world, be ready. Leave all your sins behind and come to Christ where you will find salvation. It's closing time. I can't say I'm the only call but I am one of the last calls of God. So I appeal to everybody — ordinary citizens, businesspeople, celebrities, government ministers, presidents of countries on every

continent all over the world — give your life to Jesus now because the time of the Rapture is at hand.

In 2019 I saw Tom Horn on a TV show speaking about his book, *The Wormwood Prophecy*. He's no longer with us now, but on the show he said he had information from an employee of NASA that an asteroid will hit Earth in 2029 on Friday 13. Horn said he had to sit down in shock, when he realized the asteroid might be the burning star mentioned in Revelation 8. If this date marks the mid-point of a seven-year Tribulation period, then counting back 3 ½ years brings one to 2025. I put it to you that that he was right with his overall future timeline which basically agrees with mine.

I received the last major vision in 2018. Of course, this is not my first time to speak about it since then. For example, I spoke on the God's Voice Daily international podcast. I also have my own YouTube channel where I try to to give out this message. I'm not going to give the channel name here because I'm not here to promote myself.

Jesus died, was buried, rose again and ascended to heaven in 32 AD. There are Bible scholars who believe that he would be gone for 2,000 years, and then return. If you add 2,000 years to 32 AD you land up in 2032 for the year of Christ's return. But there's going to be seven years of Tribulation before that, so if you minus seven from 2032, you end up in this year, 2025!

No doubt many people will tell me that many others have set these kinds of dates before. These all came to nothing — but it will not be so with this one. I am A BILLION PERCENT sure that the Rapture of the Church will take place this September 23 or 24. I'm asking the world to be ready for this. Be sure to give your life to Jesus. He's the way, the truth and the life, He is God.